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1. SOUTH AFRICAN PRESS REPORTED AUGUST 18 THAT POLICE AND ARMY REINFORCEMENTS HAVE BEEN SENT TO OWAMBO AS INSURANCE AGAINST POSSIBILITY OF UNREST FOLLOWING ASSASSINATION OF CHIEF MINISTER ELIFAS (REFTEL). NO FURTHER INCIDENTS HAVE BEEN REPORTED, BUT MINISTER OF POLICE J T KRUGER SAID IN TELEVISION INTERVIEW, " WE ARE TAKING ALL PRECAUTIONS." SA COMMISSIONER OF POLICE GENERAL G L PRINSLOO IS VISITING TERRITORY AUGUST 19 TO ASSESS SECURITY SITUATION.
2. ACCORDING TO JOHANNESBURG STAR WINDHOEK CORRESPONDENT, UNCLASSIFIED

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MANY OVAMBO MIGRANT WORKERS IN KATATURA TOWNSHIP GREETED

NEWS OF ASSASSINATION WITH " JUBILATION". CROWDS CONGREGATED AROUND HOME OF SWAPO NATIONAL CHAIRMAN DAVID MERERO AND SHOUTED, " KAPUUO WILL BE NEXT." TWO WORKERS WERE ARRESTED FOR DISTURBING PEACE DURING " CELEBRATION". CHIEF KAPUUO WHO WILL HEAD HERERO DELEGATION TO CONSTITUTIONAL TALKS AND WHO REPORTEDLY HAS HAD HIS LIFE THREATENED IN RECENT MONTHS, SAID IN WINDHOEK AUGUST 18 THAT HE HAS INFORMATION THAT SWAPO INTENDS TO ASSASSINATE OTHER LEADERS PLANNING TO PARTICIPATE IN TALKS.

3. IN UNRELATED DEVELOPMENT IN NAMIBIA SWA COMMISSIONER GENERAL JAN DE WET TOLD PRESS THAT NEARLY 9000 ANGOLAN REFUGEES CROSSED THE BORDER INTO OWAMBO AUGUST 18 ARRIVING IN CONVOY CONSISTING OF 2400 VEHICLES. BETWEEN 3000 AND 4000 REFUGEES ENTERED PREVIOUS SEVERAL WEEKS.

REFUGEES BEING TEMPORARILY ACCOMMODATED IN TENT CAMP NEAR ARMY BASE AT GROOTFONTEIN.

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